

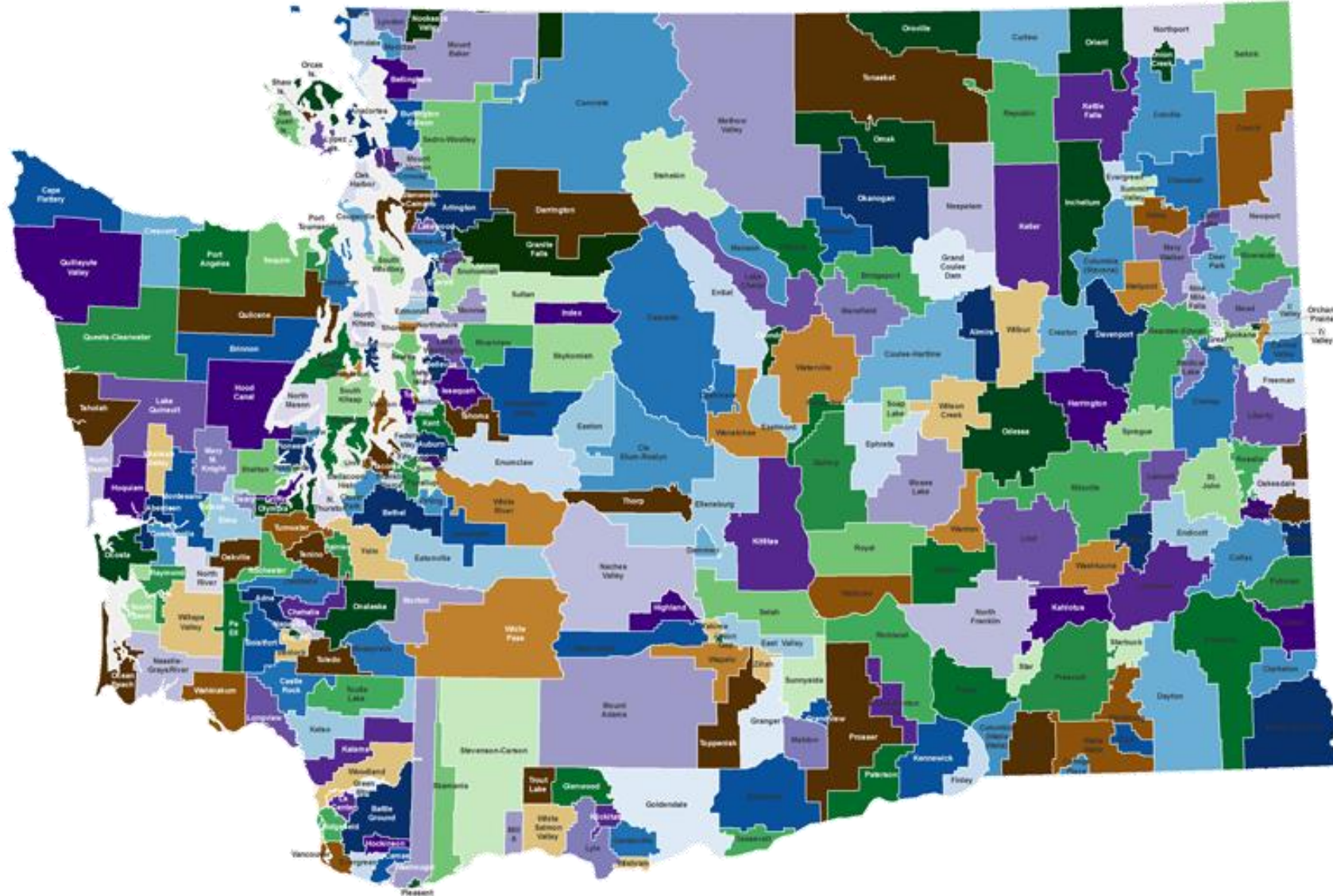
# Small School Districts

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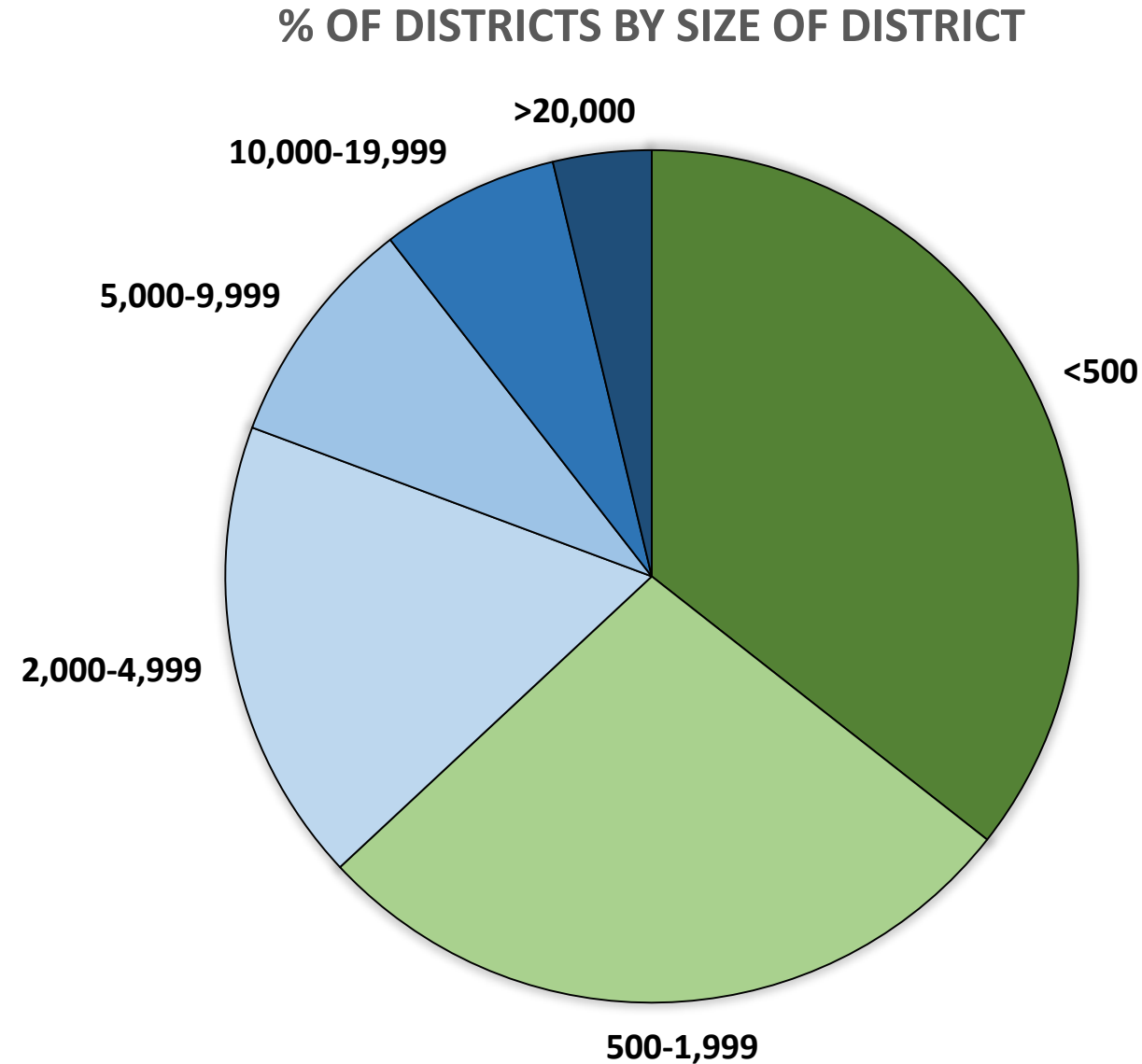
# There are 295 school districts in Washington.



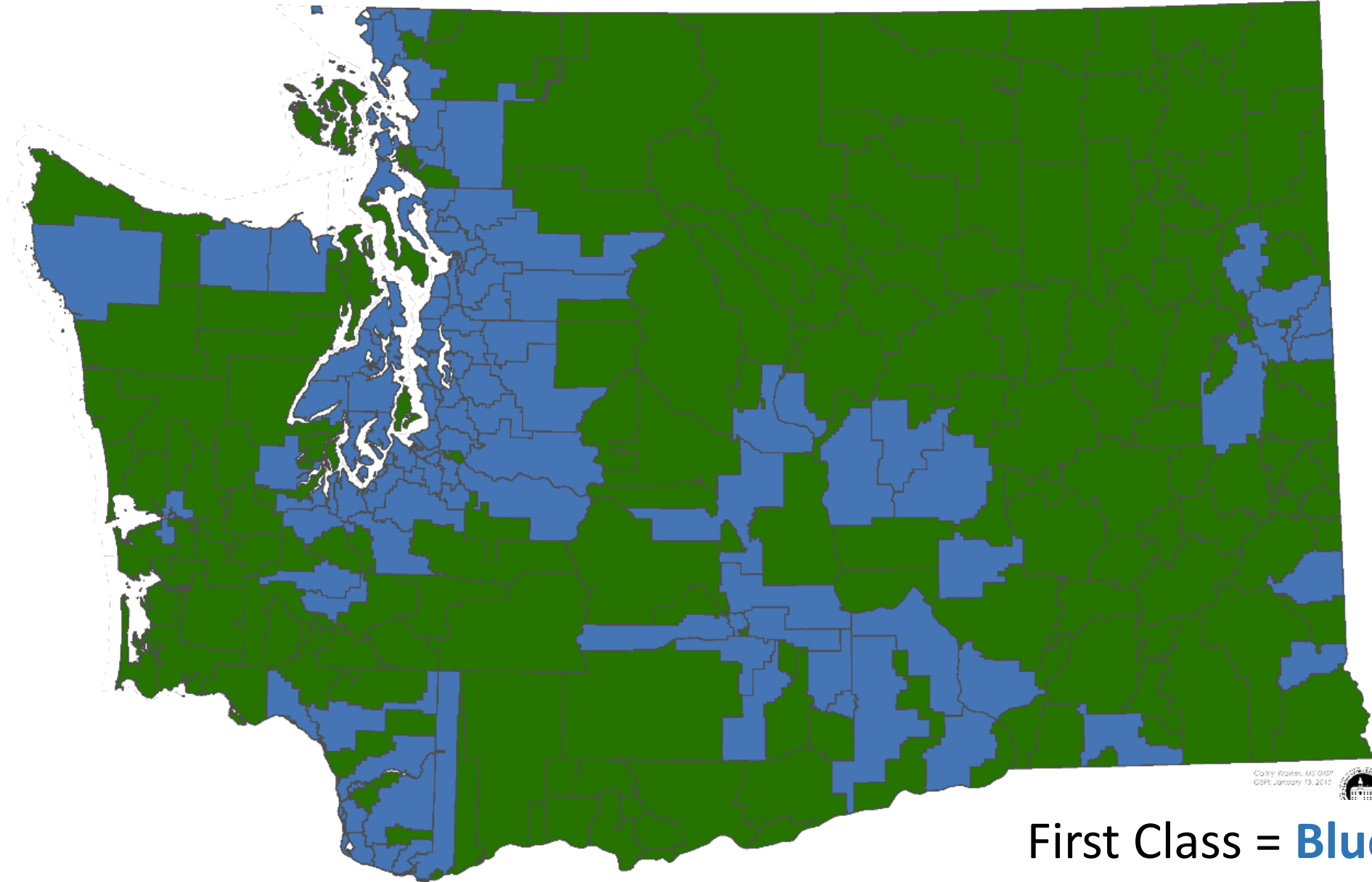
# Classification and Numbering System

- The SPI is responsible for the classification and numbering system of school districts.
- Statutory Classes:
  - First Class District – a school district with an enrollment of 2000 or more students in its public schools.
  - Second Class District – a school district having fewer than 2000 students in its public schools.
- The classification of a district can be changed when necessary by the ESD Superintendent, with approval of the SPI.

# 188 Districts Enroll Fewer than 2,000 Students



# Locations of Second Class Districts

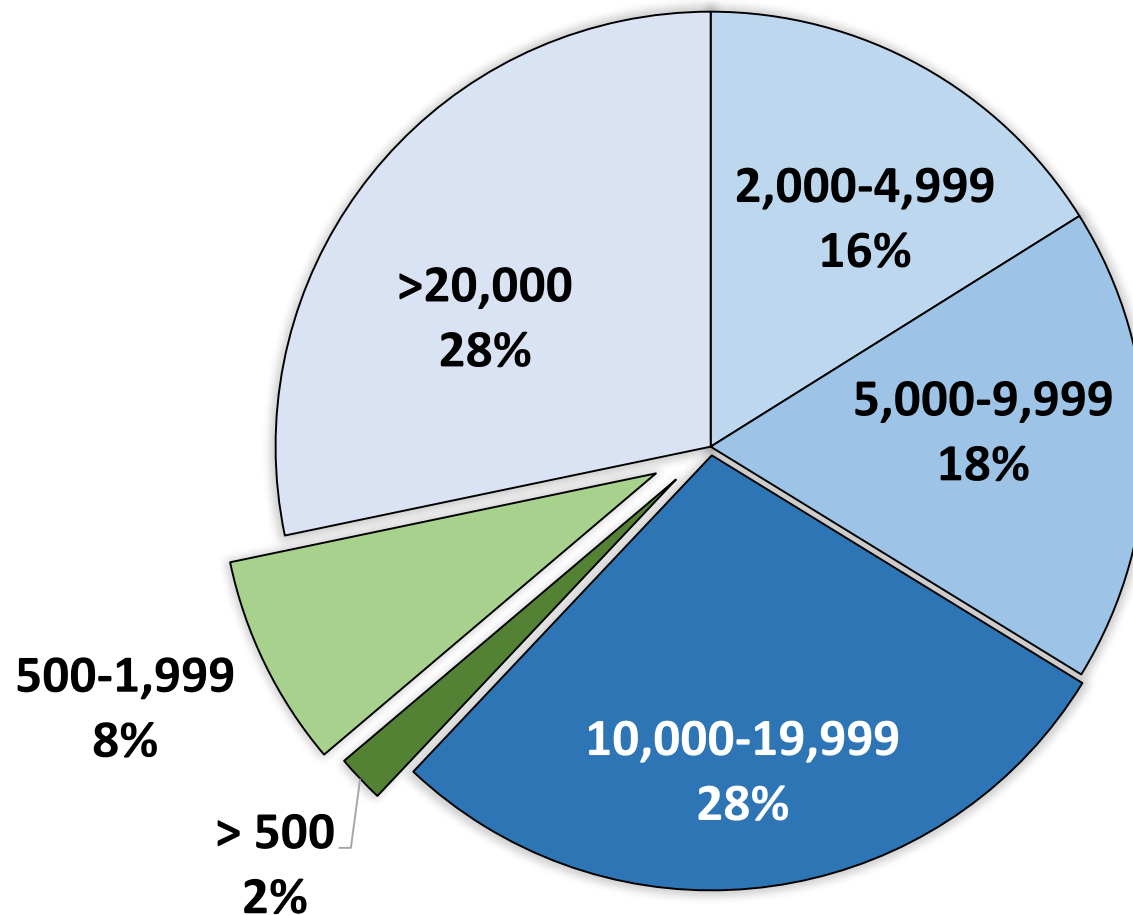


First Class = **Blue**

Second Class = **Green**

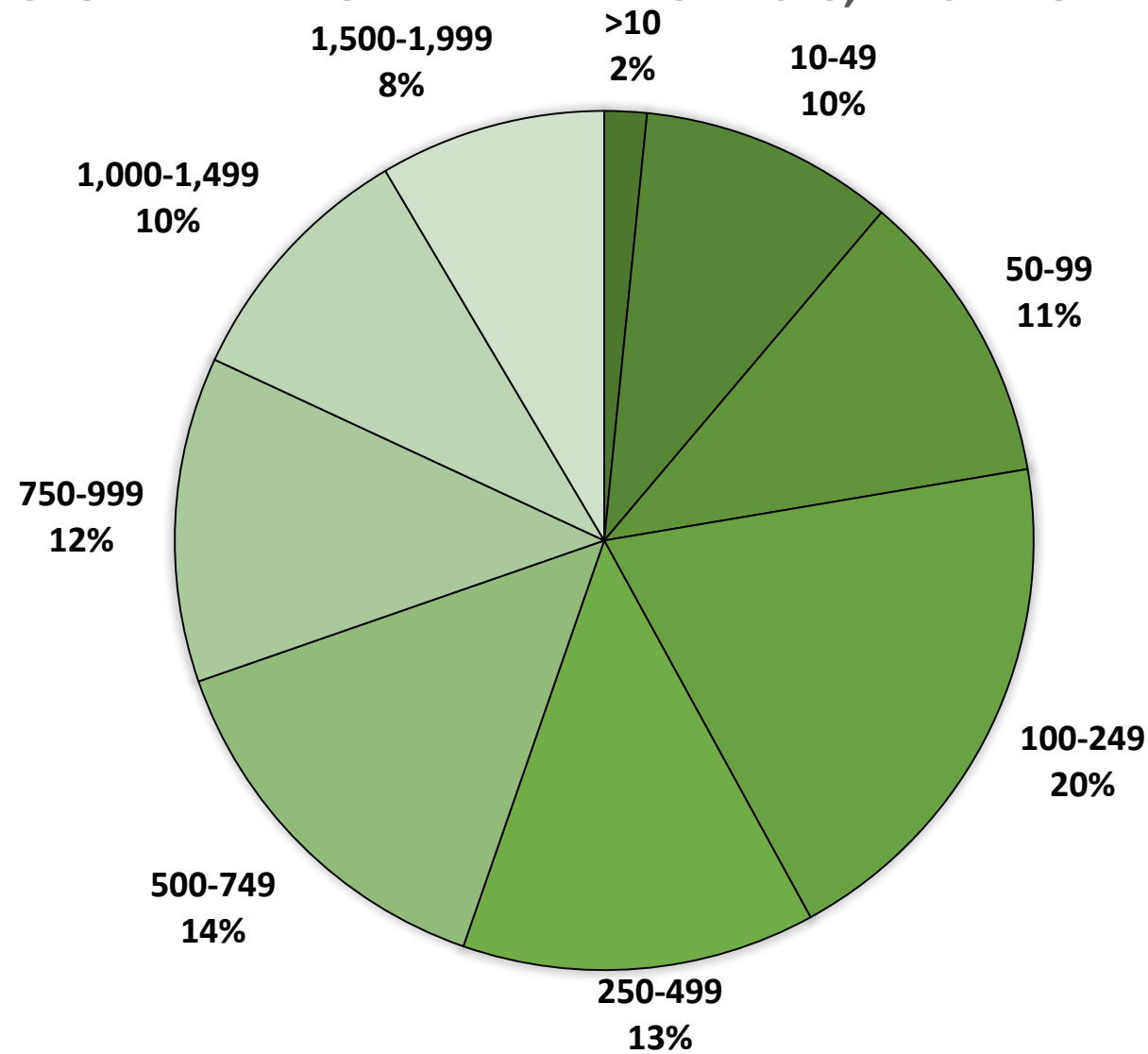
# 9.7% of Students attend a Second Class District

% OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT IN DISTRICTS, BY SIZE OF DISTRICT



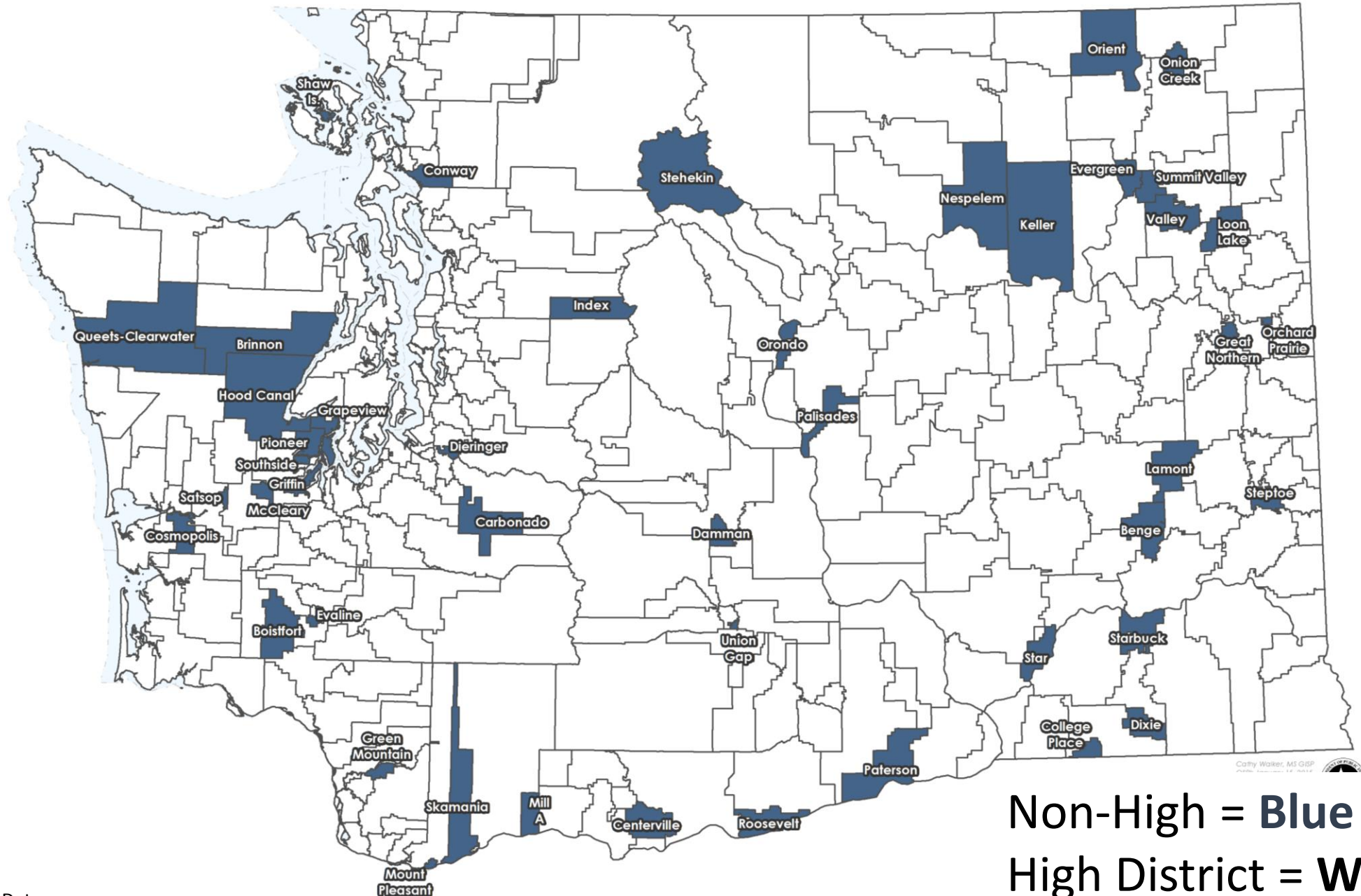
# 23% of Second Class Districts Enroll <100 Students

**% OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT IN DISTRICTS, BY SIZE OF DISTRICT**





# High and Non-High Districts

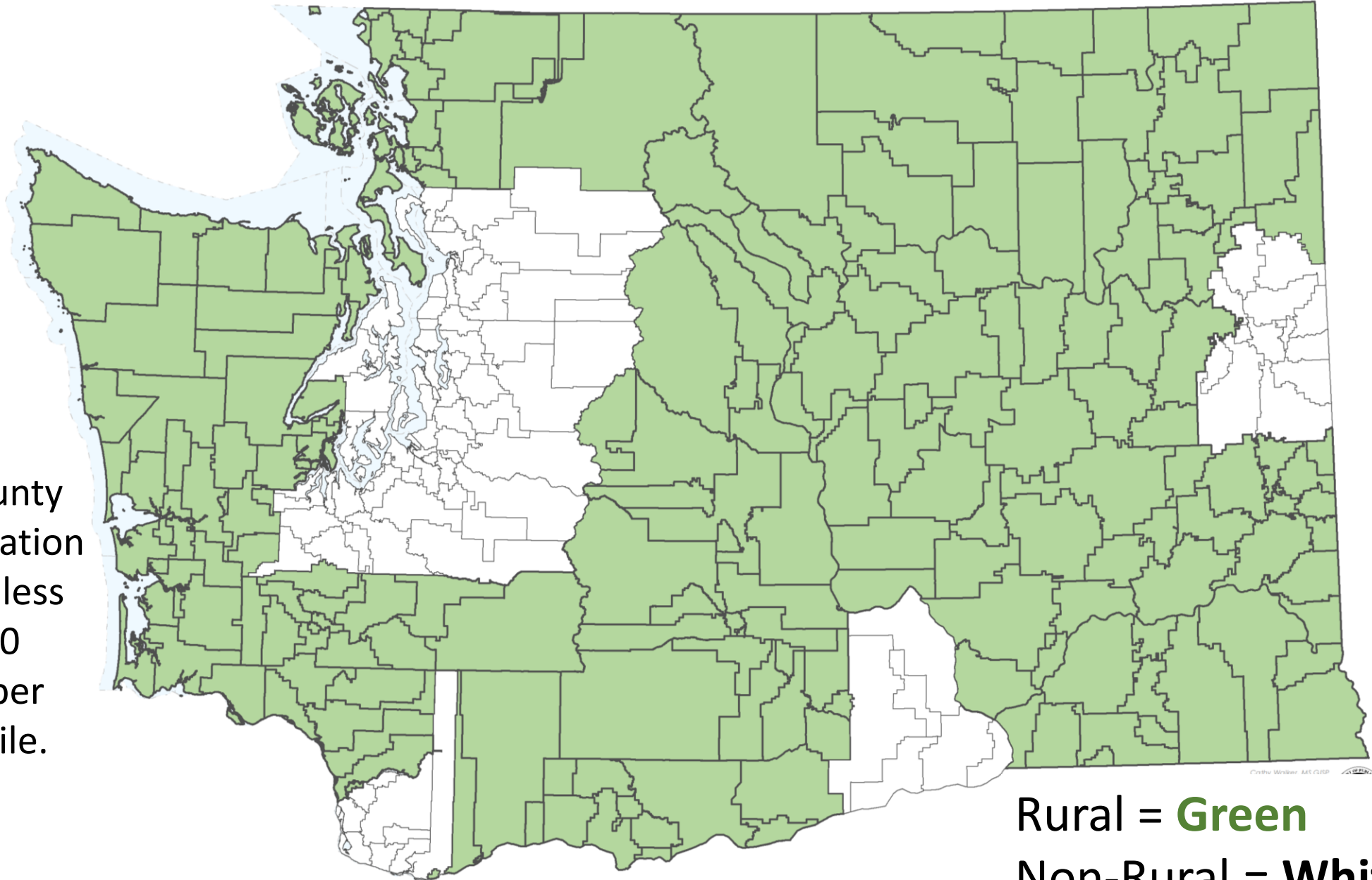


Non-High = **Blue**  
High District = **White**



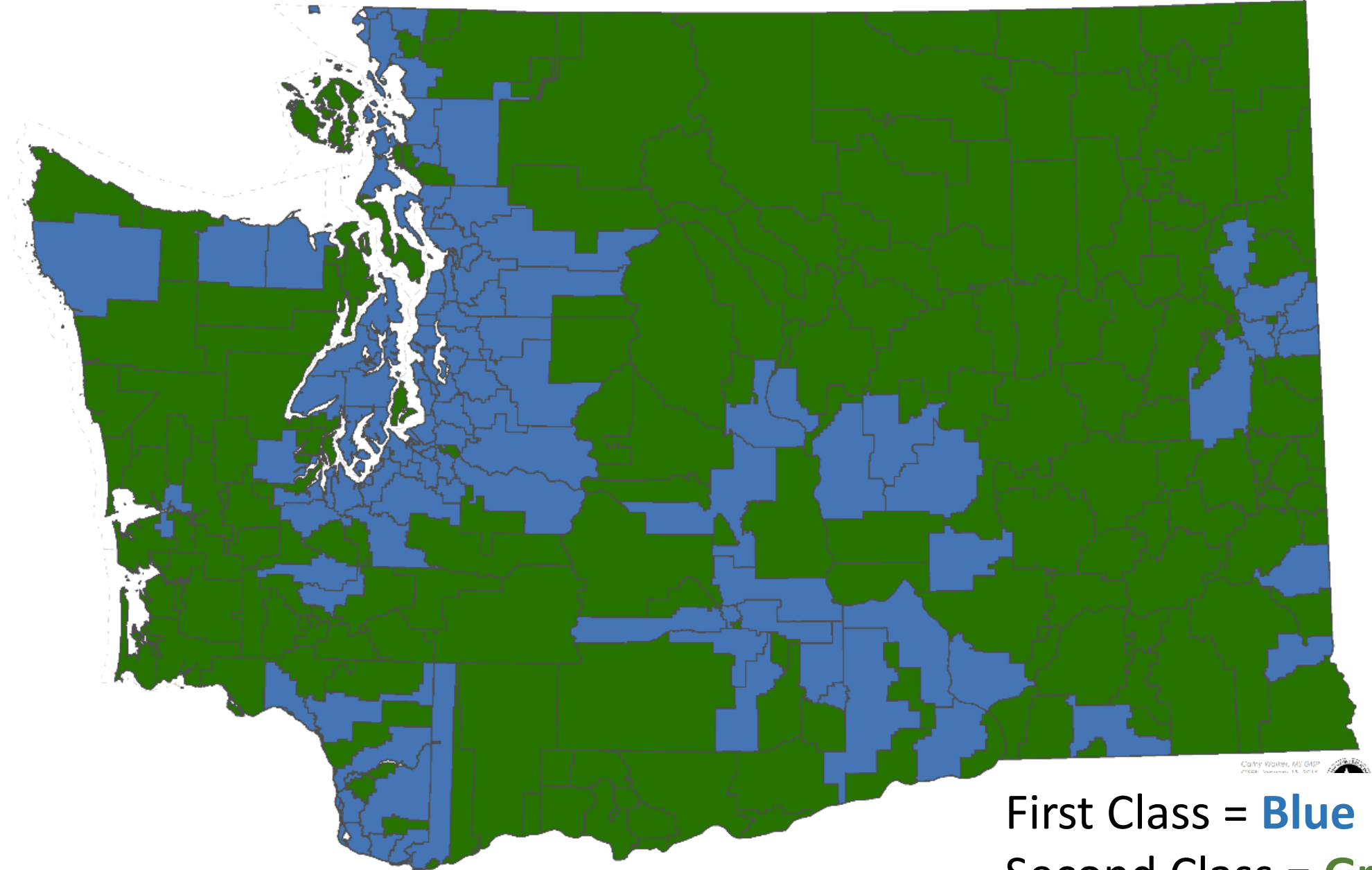
# Rural and Non-Rural Districts

A rural county has a population density of less than 100 persons per square mile.



Rural = **Green**  
Non-Rural = **White**

# First and Second Class Districts



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